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THE OPINION OF MR. LONG.

The Secretary Made the Remark Just After the Cabinet Meeting and It Was Circulated as Official, but Only His Private Opinion.

Washington, March 2.—The secretary of the navy says the Spanish government had nothing to do with the destruction of the battleship Maine at Havana in which 254 men lost their lives.

The above statement was made yesterday as Secretary Long left the White House after the cabinet meeting.

His remark was speedily given wide circulation apart from the quieting references which had accompanied it. It immediately started much comment and discussion and when Mr. Long returned to the navy department after lunch he found that what he had intended to convey was being given the force of an official declaration that Spain's responsibility for the disaster

JOHN D. LONG.

had been eliminated. In order to make clear his meaning as a personal expression of opinion, Mr. Long dictated the following statement:

"The main thing we talked about in the cabinet was the outrages on the postmasters, a white man in Georgia, and one, a colored man, in South Carolina. In regard to the Cuban situation I said I thought things were growing quieter every day, and as far as my judgment went, I was inclined to think that any official participation on the part of the Spanish government in the disaster was now practically eliminated."

The liability for indemnity has not been waived, as reported, and will not be until the facts warrant such a move.

VIZCAYA AT HAVANA.

The Cruiser Was Given an Enthusiastic Welcome by Spaniards.

Havana, March 2.—The Spanish cruiser Vizcaya arrived off Moro castle at 6 o'clock yesterday evening after a good voyage from New York. She was met by scores of steam launches and gaily decorated yachts with bands, and as she steamed to her moorings enthusiastic welcomes were shouted from all the quays which were lined with thousands of people. The streets and plazas were gay with bunting, rockets were discharged and there was continuous cheering from all the boats.

The Almirante Oquendo is expected from the Canaries at an early day and she also will be given a popular welcome.

The Spanish divers to whom Captain Sigsbee has furnished plans of the Maine began their work this morning.

THE FRENCH PRESS.

They Bring Monroeism Into Our Probable Trouble With Spain.

Paris, March 2.—French newspaper generally do full justice to the attitude of the United States in view of the loss of the battleship Maine, although they contend "jingo newspapers have dangerous influence." The Temps is inclined to be pessimistic. It refers to the warlike spirit of Americans and the pride of the Spaniards, "Who, if any indemnity were demanded, in case the disaster proves to be result of the crime, might refuse point blank, haughtily indignant at the thought that any one could suppose them guilty," and continues, "Cuba is a royal morsel which tempts a people intoxicated by their strength and convinced that Monroeism is alpha and omega of international law. But, it is still to be hoped conservative forces are so powerful they will at the last moment stop the people and the government on the threshold of an adventure which would be not only big with gravest consequences from international point of view, but which might induce at home a sort of resolution and development of most dreadful phase of Cæsarism, that evil which gnaws the vitals of every Democracy."

Winslow Goes to Key West.

Norfolk, Va., March 2.—The torpedo boat Winslow came out of dry dock at the navy yard Tuesday and will sail at once, presumably for Key West.

Advance the Price of Gold.

London, March 2.—It is said here that the Bank of France has advanced the price of gold with a view of preventing the further export of silver. The market is weak on rumors that the Indian import duty on silver will be raised.

Fell From a Standpipe.

Brenham, Tex., March 2.—Herman Giesecke, night foreman at the electric light plant, fell from a standpipe. He struck in the coal bin, receiving a number of bad cuts and bruises. He is not fatally hurt.

Alaskan Expedition Abandoned.

Washington, March 2.—The war department has decided to abandon its expedition for the relief of the miners in the Klondike country, because the conclusion has been reached that no necessity exists for it.

FIGHT WITH BANDITS.

Lively Running Battle In Which Many Shots Are Exchanged.

OUTLAWS EFFECT AN ESCAPE

Two of the Officers' Horses Were Shot From Under Them and the Chase Had to Be Abandoned Owing to These Mishaps.

Bayard, Neb., March 2.—Five men from this place had a running fight with the two bandits who Saturday shot President Taylor of the bank of Bayard and looted the strong box. The fight occurred 40 miles north in the sandhills. The bandits made a desperate fight, and it is now believed they can never be taken alive.

The posse came upon the bandits as they were breaking camp for a short rest. The robbers were the first to open fire. For several miles the fight was continued, the bandits turning in their saddles while riding at full speed and sending bullets from their repeating rifles among the pursuers.

Finally two of the horses of the posse were shot, and Deputy Royce was badly hurt. Then the posse gave up the chase. The men are practically surrounded. They still have a large section of wild territory to ride over, and can easily elude their pursuers.

From the coolness and accuracy with which the bandits rode and shot at the same time it is believed they are old hands on the frontiers, and desperate criminals, who can never be taken until they have been shot to pieces.

The supposition is that they think they killed President Taylor when he was shot during the raid on the bank, and therefore will die rather than surrender, as they fear being lynched. Taylor will recover.

THE PERMIT REFUSED.

Judge Hammond Decides Druggists Cannot Sell Whisky at Olathe.

Olathe, Kan., March 2.—A druggist has been refused a permit to sell liquor. This is the first permit applied for in this place under the present law, and it was for signing this druggist's petition that ex-Governor St. John, the former Prohibition leader, was denounced about a week ago by the Woman's Christian Temperance union.

The case was argued before Probate Judge Hammond. A protest had been filed by the Woman's Christian Temperance union with 150 names attached, and ex-Judge Hindman, Senator J. W. Parker, J. C. McMillan and Mrs. H. M. Hall appeared and spoke on behalf of the protest. Upon

The decision, heartily cheered by a big crowd,

OFFICIALS NOT WORRIED.

Judge Rogers' Decision Will Not Stop Meat Inspection.

Washington, March 2.—Decision of Judge Rodgers of Fort Smith, Ark., holding the United States Federal meat inspection law unconstitutional, apparently causes no concern to officials of the agricultural department, under whose administration the law is executed. They regard the decision as one largely technical in character, which will not affect the practical operation of the law when applied to the inspection of meats intended for interstate traffic or export to foreign countries. Their chief regret in the matter appears to be the failure to convict Boyer of the Dold Packing company, who was charged with attempting to bribe one of the meat inspectors. It was the first case that had been brought under the penal clause of the statute, and the officials had hoped it would result in conviction.

Gone to England After Her Sister.

Bloomington, Ills., March 2.—Mrs. Katie Jones Bedinger of Weatherford, Tex., has tarted for London, Eng., where she goes to bring her sister, Miss Ida Jones, the famous song writer, who is known as Ilda Orme, back to her home here. Miss Orme is confined in an asylum for the insane at Fondon suffering from cerebreal trouble. It is believed that her return to her home and family will entirely restore her mind. Mrs. Bedinger is assured that there will be no objection to her sister's removal.

Looks Like Another Strike.

Columbus, March 2.—F. E. Farms, president of the miners' organization, says a strike of the Ohio miners about April 1 seems inevitable. The Ohio operators decided they cannot pay the same wages for mining coal as paid in western Pennsylvania, as the Chicago conference decided should be paid, and Mr. Farms has no doubt they will refuse to sign the scale. The miners will not work unless the Chicago scale is paid.

Tippecanoe Injunction Dissolved.

Cleveland, March 2.—Judge Neff of the common pleas court dissolved the injunction granted some time ago restraining the Tippecanoe club from expelling Mayor McKisson and Legislators Bramley, Burke and Mason for the part they took in the fight against Mr. Hanna in the late senatorial campaign. The directors of the club are now at liberty to dismiss the offending members if they so desire.

THE MARKETS.

Livestock.

Chicago, March 1.—Cattle—Steady; Texas steers, $3.50@4.35.

St. Louis, March 1.—Cattle—Steady to strong; Texas steers, $3.30@3.45.

Sheep—Steady; Texas $4.@4.25.

Prince Phillip Wants a Divorce.

Vienna, March 2.—Prince Phillip of Saxe-Coburg Gotha has taken preliminary steps to obtain a divorce from his wife, Prince Louise of Belgium, the eldest daughter of King Leopold. The case will be heard after the marriage of their daughter, who is affianced to the younger brother of the empress.

Hurricane In New South Wales.

Sydney, March 2.—A terrific hurricane has devastated New Caledonia, causing great damage to shipping. The [illegible] also suffered. Many persons [illegible]

SPAIN IS RESTLESS.

Greater Anxiety Visible as the Court of Inquiry Progresses.

FEELING GROWING INTENSE

Rumors of Hostilities Are Harrassing the Government Officials to a Considerable Extent—Cubans Waiting For War Declaration.

Madrid, March 2.—Greater anxiety is visible here in regard to the verdict of the United States naval court of inquiry into the loss of the battleship Maine than was apparent a week ago.

Constant rumors of possible hostilities are harrassing and wakening the government, and they are also trying the patience of the public. The "jingo papers" publish exhaustive dispatches from New York and Washington to the effect that the relations between the United States and Spain are hourly becoming more strained and attributing to President McKinley a series of anti-Spanish declarations. Admiral Bermejo, minister of finance, is actively seeking means to procure additional warships.

CUBANS ONLY WAITING.

If War Is Declared They Will Combine Forces and Move on Havana.

New York, March 2.—"On the day the White squadron opens fire on Havana Maximo Gomez will begin an attack by land. He will keep on fighting until Havana surrenders or nothing is left of it but a heap of ruins."

The words were used to a World correspondent in Tampa, Fla., by Dr. Emile Nunez, who commanded a filibustering expedition which has been landed in Cuba from the steamer Dauntless.

Captain (Dynamite) Jack O'Brien has returned to Tampa with Colonel Nunez. They left for New York last night.

"I am just back from Cuba," Colonel Nunez said, "the Cuba which is now almost free.

"Our expedition carried two allotments of arms and ammunition.

"We put about and steamed along the entire length of the Cuban coast, after delivering the first allotment, to Pinar del Rio province, where we placed the remainder of our cargo in the hands of General Diaz, who commands our forces in that part of the island.

"We had trouble with the Spaniards, of course, but the Spaniards are not clever enough to stop an expedition if they tried, and it never seemed to me they tried very hard.

"At Key West I had a long talk with Dr. Guiteras, who is the surgeon attending to wounded soldiers of the Maine. He told me that one poor fellow asked him the meaning of the Spanish words 'mata lo.'

"The doctor told him that it meant in English, 'Kill him.'

"The sailor shuddered. 'I jumped overboard when the explosion took place,' he said, 'and swam to a fishing boat. A man in it knocked me off with an oar and said, "Mata-Lo Yankee." That shows how Spaniards love Americans.'

"Every one in Cuba knew of the Maine disaster 24 hours after it occurred. Our underground railroad is almost as quick as the telegraph.

"Garcia is now besieging Bayamo. General Pando with 25,000 men is trying to force his way up the Cantes river to dislodge him.

"In the open country between Marcia and Havana Gomez is slowly but surely working toward the capital, burning plantations as he goes.

"As Blanco recalls his troops to protect Havana Gomez draws nearer from the east and Roderiguez and Diaz from the west. They all expect that the United States will declare war. The moment that happens they will mass their forces and cooperate with the United States fleet. Havana will fall and Cuba will be free."

MEANS FREE CUBA.

Henri Rochefort Writes of His Belief of the Maine Wreck.

New York, March 2.—A dispatch to The Herald from Paris says:

"In the Intransageant Henri Rochefort writes:

"'To really grasp the situation, the explosion on the Maine must be regarded as the first battle between Spain and the United States. As for us, we only see in it the last stage of the advance of the Cubans toward independence. The catastrophe has caused the death of 254 unfortunate sailors, but it has also saved the lives of millions of combatants, for it insures the final triumph of the insurrection before many weeks.'"

PURCHASED AT ST. LOUIS.

Weyler Bought the Dynamite There That He Mined Havana Harbor With.

St. Louis, March 2.—A story is in circulation here to the effect that six tons of dynamite were sent to Cuba for the use of the Spaniards in mines in Havana harbor. It is said that an agent of Gen. Weyler landed in New York in November, 1896, to purchase dynamite with which the harbor was to be mined, but owing to the vigilance of the Cuban junta in that city, he could not secure the explosive without it being known. He therefore, quietly left the city and came to St. Louis, where he was successful in purchasing six tons, which was shipped to New York and thence to Havana Nov. 23, on the steamship Ciudad Colon, and that it was consigned to Weyler.

It is said that the agent wanted to purchase more, but did not believe that it would be safe to ship a larger quantity. The quantity sent was enough to mine the harbor. The heads of the different firms in St. Louis dealing in dynamite were seen, but with one exception an emphatic denial was made that the firm had shipped any dynamite to Cuba knowingly. The one exception was Manager Harper of Laflin Rand company. He would neither deny nor affirm the story, in fact, he positively re-

The firms say that it would have been a comparatively easy [illegible] for any man to purchase that amount of the explosive without stating that it was for the Spanish in Havana or for General Weyler. They could have assigned some other reason for its purchase.

THE COURT'S SESSION.

Still at Key West Taking Testimony of the Crew.

Key West, March 2.—The second day's session here of the United States court of inquiry in the loss of the battleship Maine began at 10 o'clock. Most of the officers who were examined yesterday had been informed that they might be recalled and the lieutenants and cadets of the lost warship were all on hand, though it is reported they will not be reexamined until the court returns from its second visit to Havana. Groups of enlisted men also are gathered about the courtroom door, awaiting their turn to be examined.

A high naval officer said:

"Perhaps the court of inquiry will return to Havana on board the cruiser Marblehead or the Nashville instead of the coast survey boat Bache. The Marblehead would be especially suitable, as she has an especially strong electric light plant.

OFF FOR CUBA.

Several Congressmen and Senators Go to See For Themselves.

Washington, March 2.—A party of senators and members of the house left Washington yesterday for a trip to Cuba. They went by train to Fortress Monroe, and from there they will take a private yacht for Havana. The party will consist of Senators Gallinger, Thurston and Money and Representatives Amos J. Cummings and William Alden Smith and their wives. Senator Thurston said the trip was undertaken for the purpose of making a personal investigation into the affairs in Cuba.

"If is not," he said, "in any sense an official tour, but it will naturally give us better opportunity for investigation than we can possibly have from this distance." He said the party would be absent about 10 days, which would allow several days in Cuba.

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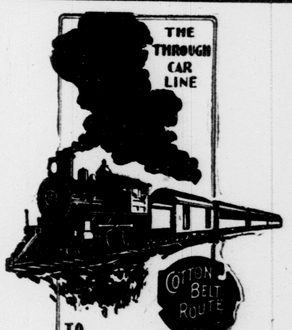
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We note that L. K. Bu[illegible] has moved to Gainesville and [illegible] commence work for a local pa[illegible] in that city. Col. Rudolph [illegible] old Collin boy and we always [illegible] an interest in his movements. Lige is a good citizen and a [illegible] ly qualified newspaper man.

We do not understand that journalism admits of public exposure of the defective composition and spelling of a contributor. The waste basket is the silent receptacle of all objectionable manuscript. It is [illegible] cheated out of [illegible] such [illegible] journalists.

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Mar. 1. 98'

We are having fine weather.

Oat sowing is over and most all the corn is planted.

Water is very scarce and we are needing rain badly.

Mr John Martin is on the sick list.

While chopping wood last Saturday Mr Mat Wise had the sad misfortune of losing one of his eyes by a chip flying up and striking him.

Owing to sickness Miss Ora Stringham was unable to report Milkman.

[illegible] ...ow the profession of journalist, attorney and politician now presiding at the sanctum of the McKinney Gazette, in keeping with his past efforts, makes an assault with an attempt to introduce some ideas in the last issue of his paper, and utterly fails. The particular attempt to which we refer is his wonderful (?) production under flaming headlines containing the [illegible] words: "From the headquarters of the populist stream. Another letter from John Johnson the 'head' and 'shoulders,' too, of the populist party in Collin. Bristles with the doctrine [illegible]

[illegible] power granted to the State Superintendent, which are not specially stated in legislative enactment. But there is nothing in this section authorizing a ruling making it compulsory on the teachers to attend county institutes; much less is there authority for spending the funds appropriated for the free education of the children to pay the teachers for their attendance. Hence, the two forms of contracts sent out from the department of Education, one compelling the teachers to attend the institutes at their own expense, the other requiring trustees to pay them for their time, cannot be justified by this section.

But section 71 is cited as authority for this clause in the form of contract. We give it in full: "It shall be the duty of all teachers in the public schools in this state to attend the summer normals and county institutes as far as possible." Now we maintain that if there is authority in this section for requiring trustees to pay teachers for their time in attendance at the county institute there is equal authority for requiring them to pay their attendance at the summer normals. Will the trustees submit to this when the demand is made? If not, why not? The authority is equal, the principle is the same. But on the other hand, if the teachers meekly submit to the compulsory mandate to attend the county institutes at their own expense, will they do the same when a demand comes to attend the normals? If not, why not? The authority is equal, the principle is the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Alma Martin have returned to their home in Young county, after a few days visit to their parents Mr. and Mrs. John Martin.

The Literary at Stiff's Chapel which meets every two weeks was well attended last Friday night.

Rev. Bone of Melissa delivered an interesting sermon to a large congregation at Stiff's Chapel Sunday evening.

The Viney Grove and Stiff Chapel Dramatic club will give a play in a short time entitled "Little Brown Jug," the exact date of which will be given later.

Ben Bonna is attending school at New Hope.

Mrs. Hattie Scott and little daughter, Kate, and Miss Lizzie Hatler visited Mrs. W. M. Wilson yesterday.

We understand that Mr. Johnnie Willburn has purchased the stock of groceries from the Shandler Bros. and will continue the business at the same stand.

J. B. W.

Central Institute.

The Central Institute will meet in district court room at McKinney, Texas., Friday and Saturday March 18 and 19. All teachers [illegible]

[illegible] from this county, [illegible] cited individual, who has recently assumed control of [illegible] old time esteemed contemporary but he persists in swelling the demand by a suffering public for [illegible] answer. It ill becomes Tom W. Perkins to prate about the ignorance of anyone. His record as a journalist does not bear out the assertion that he is a James Gordon Bennett. Neither does the fact that he has license to practice law bear out the assertion that he is familiar with Blackstone. The fact that he is a candidate for local representative is not sufficient evidence that he can stack up with Wm. J. Bryan or Wm. McKinley. We humbly suggest that the "handsome" editor of the McKinney Gazette form "a speaking acquaintance with pay institutions of learning" before he undertakes to represent nine thousand voters in the state legislature. At this late day we wish to say that, notwithstanding any seeming unkindness at the democratic organ, which has heretofore [illegible] columns, we will not desert from its honored ranks by charging the [illegible] of universal [illegible] or the democratic party. Perhaps we have intimated so in the past. If so we hereby offer an apology. A writer has said [illegible] a handful of common sense [illegible] a bushel of learning." We [illegible] leadership such intellectual giants (?) as [illegible] gazette editor is the hope of [illegible] democratic party.

Populist Executive Committee.

Waco, Tex., March 1.—Chairman Bradley made his call to-day for the state executive committee meeting at which the time and place of the populist convention will be agreed upon. The call is as follows:

Waco, Tex., March 1.–By authority vested in me I hereby call a meeting of the people's party state executive committee to convene in the city of Waco at 10 o'clock a. m., Thursday March 10, for the purpose of selecting time and place for holding a populist state convention and for the transaction of any other business that may require attention. The cities of the state desiring to entertain the convention should submit definite propositions.

J. S. BRADLEY,
Chairman People's Party State Ex. Com.

McKinney Board of Trade.

The McKinney board of trade held an important meeting Tuesday night. Seven new members were enrolled. A committee was appointed to confer with the Sherman, Shreveport and Southern railway management and secure its assistance, if possible, in getting straight haul rates to Missouri, Kansas and Texas common points. The board extended an invitation to the teachers of Collin county to hold their 1898 summer normal in McKinney.

Under the direction of the board a printed tabulated statement of the statistics and facts concerning the town be issued, with which to answer numerous inquiries from manufacturers and home seekers that are now being addressed to the body.

A regular meeting is held on [illegible] a month.

Bonds Cancelled.

Attorney General Crane's announcement that he will henceforth refuse to approve gold securities has somewhat disconcerted McKinney's waterworks plans. The council had just voted to have printed $30,000 of these bonds and several bids for them at a premium and low interest rate had been received. But upon Crane's declaration of his purpose these bids were forthwith cancelled, and now, if he does not relent, so the gentlemen of the council claim, currency bonds are the only way out of McKinney's predicament, which will necessarily go at a discount and high rate of interest. This means several thousand dollars more indebtedness for the town to liquidate.

For Light Brahma eggs see M. H. Byrne $1. per setting.

J. W. McBrain and Miss Nettie Barnes were married in this city yesterday. Esq. S. K. Hall [illegible] officiated.

[illegible] ...ly beneficial medicine for [illegible] ...ing time of year is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Sold by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

10:30 to 10:30—Property [illegible] ...matics.—C. T. Cobb and J. [illegible] Watkins.

1:30 to 2:30 — Business session.

W. J. WILSON, Ch'm.
VANNA BELEW, Sec. of Prog. Committee.
W. W. SHEPHERD, Co. Supt

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Subject to the democratic primaries.

For Local Representative
TOM W. PERKINS

For County Judge
J. H. FAULKNER
F. E. WILCOX
J. L. DOGGETT
D. P. JOHNSON

For County Attorney
GEORGE HARDIN
H. L. DAVIS

For County Clerk
PAT MOULDEN
W. M. SHIRLEY
J. A. WALDEN

For Sheriff
J. W. PAFFORD

For Tax Collector
YANCY POWELL
A W KNIGHTON

For County Superintendent of schools
W. W. SHEPHERD

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
SAM H FOX

For Justice of the Peace Precinct 1.
W. L. YARBROUGH
C. ANDREWS

CITY ELECTION.

For Mayor
SCOTT ALLISON
SAM BURNS.

For Tax Assessor and Collector
R. B. DAVIS

For Alderman Ward No. 2
W. B. NEWSOME

For Alderman Ward No. 3
Dr. W T MOORE

LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

Mrs. Ben Boydston has returned from Winsboro.

J. T. Nale exchanges new for second hand stoves.

Miss Betsy Wiley has returned from Denison.

WAR! WAR! WAR!

Has not scared the Nickle Store out of its weakness for giving the best value for your money in McKinney.

K. K. Kerr, wife and son, Metz have returned from a visit to their daughter and sister at Whitewright.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

Misses Hattie and Belle Christie of Allen, visited Mrs. Hedgcoxe and family Saturday and Sunday.

Window glass all sizes, at City Drug Store.

Miss Ethel Burch has returned to her home at Wylie.

J. T. Nale makes picture frames cheaper than anybody, one door east of postoffice.

Mrs. Geo. Gambrel has returned to Copeville after a visit to her sister Mrs. W. G. C. Horn in McKinney.

Farmers from every portion of Collin county take their wives and children to the Nickle Store in McKinney when wanting valuable goods for little money.

Mrs. Mary Watson returned to Denison Saturday after spending the week with here neice, Mrs. W A. Parker here.

Spain and the United States may go to war, but the Nickle Store still holds the fort in McKinney.

WALL PAPER. Wall Paper. All the new patterns from 5c a roll up at City Drug Store.

Bill Stewart, colored, has completed a two years' term in the penitentiary and returned to McKinney. He was convicted of attempting the life of Nath Johnson, another member of his race.

Useful and ornamental articles in profusion at the Nickle Store.

Prof. Marshall, of Celeste, was here the latter part of the week. He lately become the proprietor of the McKinney College which he will conduct in the future.

50 different brands cough medicine. All the reliable kinds, at City Drug Store.

Ed Newsome has had his beautiful residence repainted.

Pure whiskies, wines and brandies for medicinal use, at City Drug Store.

Miss Ludie Lindsay spent, Sunday, at home in Denison.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

Prof. Powell of the McKinney Institute spent Saturday and Sunday at Waco.

Stop that Cough! Take warning. It may lead to Consumption. A 25c. bottle of Shiloh's Cure may save your life. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Miss Lucy Largent came down Friday evening, from the Mary Nash college at Sherman.

I have re-opened my jewelry repair business at the same old stand and am prepared as before to do all kinds of jewelry and watch work, and respectfully solicit the business of my former patrons, V. C. COLEMAN.

Miss Mattie Houston is convalescent. She is one of the city's most efficient teachers and has been quite ill.

Mrs. Levy and little daughter have returned to Gainesville. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Weisman.

Don't forget the location of the Nickle Store, 1st. door west postoffice.

The romance of Miss Carrie Emerson's marriage, mentioned in our last issue, terminated as most snch cases end,—in the parents of the young lady relenting. The groom, Mr. Roy Anderson, was telephoned to come over which he did, and returned, Friday, with his young bride to Greenville where they will make their future home.

We have just what you want in the way of garden seed Also, sorghum and onion seed in quantity.
Goostree & Houston.

Bob Dorsey, the hustling compress manager, was called to Denton the early part of the week on business.

Buy your groceries of Goostree & Houston during the Spring and year. They have the biggest stock and are prepared to accommodate you.

Dave O'Brion, of this city, suffered the loss of a barn and 700 bushels of wheat by fire at his farm in the western portion of the county last week. He had sold the wheat the day it burned for $1.02 per bushel.

In a recent letter from Washington D. C., to an old friend, Major G. A. Studer, for twenty years United States Consul at Singapore says: "While at Des Moines I became acquainted with a liniment known as Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I found excellent against rheumatism as well as against soreness of the throat and chest (giving me much easier breathing). I had a touch of pneumonia early this week, and two application freely applied to the throat and chest relieved me of it at once. I would not be without it for anything." For sale by City Drug Store.

Miss Chug De St Aubin has returned from an extended visit at Ft. Smith, Ark. She was in that city when it was visited by the destructive cyclone a few weeks ago.

We have printed some "candidate cards" for A. E. Buck representing Geo. Campbell, 2:17 and Reno Clipper, 2:17½. These are extra fine stallions and the general public is to be proud to have them in our midst. Geo. Campbell, 2:17 is a half brother to the renowned world's champion pacing filly, "Lena Hil" 2 yr. 2:12¾, also Judge Hurt 2:09¼ the champion 3 year old pacer, and other fast ones. "Campbell" is owned by W. M. C. Hill, Dallas, Texas, but will be in charge of Mr. Buck for the present season, with Reno Clipper, 2:17½ by Reno Defiance 3:29¼ as his stable companion at the race track here.

G. O. Cate and lady of Altoga were trading in McKinney, Saturday. Mr. Cate informed us that he would plant three acres of onions this year. One of his neighbors, William Cameron, will also plant a quantity for the markets. The onion industry in Collin is becoming more extensive each year and growers should get together for better prices. By bulking shipments better freight rates can be obtained to the larger markets, besides other benefits will accrue.

Largest stock paints, oils, varnishes, window glass, brushes and wall paper at very low prices. City Drug Store.

W. B. Harrison cotton buyer and T. P. Duncan grain commission dealer are now located in a nicely fitted up office over I. D. Newsome Sons & Co's., store.

Best paint on earth, covers more and wears longest, looks best full measure S. W. P. guaranteed, at City Drug Store

Four members of H. C. Norvelle's family have been down with sickness, but now are improved. Mr. Norvelle is a McKinney carpenter.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading Cough Cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

C. C. Brown, chairman, has called a convention to meet in Farmersville at 2 o'clock, Saturday, March 19, to nominate a populist ticket for precinct No. 2.

International Stock Food, 3 feeds for one cent, for horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Every package waranteed, at City Drug Store.

Wm Allen made another shipment of hogs to Fort Worth this week.

A Wonderful Discovery.

The last quarter of a century records many wonderful discoveries in medicine, but none that have accomplished more for humanity than that sterling old remedy, Browns' Iron Bitters. It seems to contain the very elements of good health, and neither man, woman or child can take it without deriving the greatest benefit. For sale by all dealers.

For Constipation take Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great Blood Purifier. Cures Headache, Nervousness, Eruptions on the face, and makes the head clear as a bell. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

G. W. Fox's grocery delivery team ran away Tuesday, creating quite a stir of excitement but little damage.

FOR RENT—Good McKinney wagon yard, block No. 20 adjacent to the public square. Will lease for year on easy terms. Apply to JENKINS & PEARSON

The McKinney band has reorganized. Under the efficient instruction of Profs. Lairson and Wanek it is expected to be in splendid condition for picnic demands this spring and summer.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for Constipation it's the Best and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

The little 3-year-old boy of Tom Christian, of Plano was standing in the middle of the railroad track waving his little hands at the fast approaching train. Ed Jones head brakeman, saw him and hurrying to the pilot in the nick of time slapped the child off the track with his hand.

Well Satisfied.

With 1897 we have made a grand change for the better for 1898. We carry up-to date picture moulding, best grade farmes, queenesware tinware best medium line furniture, cookstoves & heaters.
Asbury & Nelson.

Horace Hill Sundayed with Greenville friends.

WHAT Dr. A. E. SALTER SAYS:

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Gents:—From my personal knowledge, gained in observing the effect of your Shiloh's Cure in cases of advanced consumption, I am prepared to say is the most remarkable Remedy that has ever been brought to my attention. It has certainly saved many from Consumption. Sold by Smith Bros.

Sam McKinney had a preliminary hearing in Justice Faulkner's court, Tuesday, for killing Ed Bynum, colored. As a result he was held in a $500 bond to await the action of the grand jury. He readily made bond.

Foote House Barber Shop.

When in need of barbering don't forget to call on Ed & Will at the Foote House barber shop. They have got the only first class shop in town. You will have to pay for what you get, but will get what you pay for and in first class style. They employ none but expert workmen. They appreciate your patronage in the past and solicit a continuance of the same during the year 1898.

The city council has donated $50 to Will Lake's benefit. Mr. Lake is a fireman and sustained a broken leg recently while in the discharge of his duty.

FOR SALE: One hundred acre farm, 80 in cultivation, two tenant houses well improved ten miles east of McKinney, also my residence in north McKinney, a splendid home, all can be purchased at a splendid bargain, part cash and long time for balance and low interest. Call on or address.
DOC. FERGUSON,
McKinney, Tex.

The county commissioners have contracted for the putting in of an ordorless sewerage system for the court house and jail.

For hardware, queensware, tinware, etc., go to The Fair.

Catarrh Cured. A clear head and sweet breath secured with Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy; sold on a guarantee. Nasal injector free. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Hammond & Sneed, proprietors of "The Fair," are increasing their stock daily with new goods See them when in McKinney.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall has returned from New York. She purchased a big spring and summer stock of millinery.

THE FAIR MOVED.

Don't forget The Fair is now located in the new Newsome building on the southeast corner of the pubhc square. We have more room and a much enlarged stock. The public is invited to visit us in our new quarters
HAMMOND & SNEED, Propr's.

Prof. J. B. Warren of the Westonschool was here Saturday.

My grocery stock is complete, fresh and at most reasonable prices. See me when in McKinney.
T. J. Melton.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since last report:

Josiah W Church to Melinda E Howery.

G R Cousts and Miss Annie Deering.

E L Stanford and Miss Jimmie Hall.

Melton runs a free delivery for the convenience of his customers to any part of the city. Phone or bring him your grocery orders.

Mrs. J. M. Rush, aged 67, died Saturday in Fairfield of pneumonia fever. Burial Sunday at Williams graveyard west of McKinney.

Go to Melton's for your garden seed.

Mrs. Ida Worsham and Mrs. W. A. Sneed of Oak Cliff visited relatives here last week.

PAY UP.

All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to me will please call and settle the accounts at once, as I am compelled to collect up in order to meet my obligations.
T. J. Melton.

S. T. Hammond returned from Dallas, Tuesday, where he went to purchase new goods for "The Fair."

Farmers see me when you have groceries to buy or produce to market.
T. J. Melton.

Mrs. Harriet Wilson returned from Van Alstyne, Monday evening. She accompanied her sister, Mrs. Bettie McKinney, home who spent a portion of last week here.

Sorghum seed for sale at Mate Barnett's.

Reports from all over the county is to the effect that rain is seriously needed to revive exhausted wells and springs. The wheat and oat crops are in excellent condition. Corn is being rapidly planted and farmers generally are up with their work.

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	4.50 to 5.70
Wheat per bus	95to 97cts.
Corn per bus	30 to 35cts.
Oats per bus	22 to 23½cts
Hay baled per ton	$6.50 to $7.00
Millet hay per ton	$5.50 to $6.50.
Flour per cwt	$2.40 to $2.75.
Cotton seed per ton	$8.00.
Baled Oats per ton	$5.00.
Meal per bus	45 to 50cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00 $4.50
Chops per cwt	75cts.
Bran per cwt	75 to 80cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 12½cts.
Eggs per doz	6 to 7 1-2cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2 50 to $3.00.
Hogs per cwt	$3.00 to $3.50.
Beef on foot per cwt	$2.25 to $2.65.
Beef dressed per lb	4 to 5cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4 1-2cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.75 to 2.25.
Irish Potatoes, per bu	75 to 80cts.
Sweet Potatoes, per bu	50 to 75cts.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

Get The News.

You can get the Semi-Weekly News 104 copies and THE DEMOCRAT 52 copies total 156 copies all for only $1.75. Subscribe now. Tell your friends about it. The campaign of 1898 is upon us. You get all the national, state, and local news for a small amount. Call at the Democrat office west side of the square McKinney Tex.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex Mar. 1, '98, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Bowen Flora	Craft Lena
Cox John Wm	Dawson Lena
Drye Effie B	Epps Lizzie
Gipson Millie	Gillmore Maggie
Kyle Effie	Murrie Mare
Sandefer R W	Shuman Mary

GENTLEMAN.

Bell James T	Bennett Frank
Bean W H	Campbell Will
Cameron F G	Capalinger A J
Dorn L	Edwards J R
Holmes Dan	Hughes J W
Lawson F W	Malry Wilie
Owens Martha	Poston Charlie
Smith McKindra	Thompson Z M
Waddill F L	Whyee W R
White C E	Wolf Green
Woodsworth A O	Young Wm

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.
Mrs. M. A. Cameron
Postmistress.

We are well prepared to accommodate the city trade with a complete line of staple and fancy groceries. Free city delivery. Goostree & Houston.

Work on the artesian well is being vigorously prosecuted. A debth of more than 500 feet has already been reached.

Rev. E. Edwards, pastor of the English Baptist church at Minersville, Pa. when suffering with rheumatism was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says, "A few applications of this liniment proved of great service to me It subdued the inflammation and relieved the pain. Should any sufferer profit by giving Pain Balm a trial it will please me." For sale by City Drug Store.

The Misses Atkinson entertained, Monday evening, for their guest, Miss Weaver of Plano.

Dr. H. L. Pearson's old buggy horse dropped dead Sunday in the north part of town while being driven by the doctor and lady.

I have been afflicted with rhenmatism for fourteen years and nothing seemed to give any relief. I was able to be around all the time, but constantly suffering. I had tried everything I could hear of and at last was told to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I did, and was immediately relieved and in a short time cured. I am happy to say it has not since returned—Josh Edgar, Germantown, Cal. For sale by City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Chandler enjoyed a drive to the home of Uncle Alfred Chandler west of McKinney last Sunday.

From a private letter from our old friend W. M. Barron at Waco, we learn the glad information that he is regaining his health.

Do Babies Cry For It.

No! They more often die for the want of it. DR. SIMMONS' COUGH SYRUP is guaranteed to cure Croup, Whooping Cough, Colds, Coughs and Bronchial affections of the Throat, Chest and Lungs, and failing, the purchase money is refunded. Sample bottle free 50 doses for 50 cents.

HOME FOR SALE.

A well improved residence on North church st., McKinney, for sale. An acre and a half of ground, wells, barn, etc. Apply to Ben Estes.

THE DEMOCRAT had the pleasure of turning out several pieces of pamphlet work recently. Among them being a funeral address of Mrs. J. W. Gray by Rev. W. J. McMillan.

Tried Friends Best.

For thirty years Tutt's Pills have proven a blessing to the invalid. Are truly the sick man's friend.

A Known Fact

For bilious headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation and all kindred diseases, TUTT'S Liver PILLS

RELIGIOUS.

The Dallas District Convention.

The Christian Endeavorers of the Dallas District will hold its annual convention at Waxahachie, April 20 and 21, 1898. Last year when the convention met at Greenville the cry was, "Waxahachie '98 of course," and "Waxahachie '98 it is." This is going to be "the biggest" C. E. convention ever held in the Great Dallas District, and you are expected to be present and on time. The Waxahachie people are now making preparations for entertaining the Endeavorers, and making "Waxahachie '98," a glorious success in this good work. We are looking forward to having a grand time with 500 or 600 delegates present. The number is not limited, "the more the merrier."

Now is the time to think and April 20 and 21 is the time to act. So make up your mind now! Let us all be on hand at the roll call. As Plummer Harris has said: "When the Roll is Called in Waxa. I'll be There." Come with the purpose of giving good and receiving good in return. Make others glad and we shall say, "It is good to be here." "Let a Little Sunshine In" now, and "Scatter Sunshine all Along the Way," and our success is a settled fact. Bring with you pleasant smiles and your Bible.

Any information will gladly be furnished by addressing Dr. J. M. Clark, or myself.

Yours for the convention,
JOE M. DILLON, Cor. Sec.

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Rev. I. S. Ashburn, presiding Elder Greenville District, will preach at the Methodist Church Princeton, Friday night, March 11th. He will preside over the 2nd Quarterly Conference for Princeton Circuit Saturday Mar. 12th., at Wilson's Chapel.

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Dr. Lyman Abbott, pastor of Plymouth Church Brooklyn and the successor of Henry Ward Beecher, has consented to preach the Baccalaureate sermon for the University of Texas, at Austin, June 12, next. Dr. Abbott is editor of the Outlook and one of the world's greatest preachers.

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Rev. E. E. King of this city preached the conference sermon, Saturday for the Chambersville Baptist church. The pastor, Rev. J. S. Cameron, accompanied him to the appointment.

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Father MaGinn conducted services at the Catholic church in McKinney, Sunday.

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Rev. J. W. Hill was heard by a big-sized congregation Sunday morning at the Methodist church. The League meeting at 3 o'clock in the afternoon was led by Miss Bessie Nelson. "Temperance" was the day's topic. At night Rev. Joel S. Graves of Blue Ridge preached.

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Rev. J. H. Davies and family moved this week to Fort Worth, their future home.

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A series of meetings will begin, Sunday Mar. 13, at the First Baptist church in McKinney. Pastor E. E King will be assisted by Rev. G. W. Truett, of Dallas,

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The Epworth Leaguers will hold their literary meeting Monday evening Mar. 7, at the residence of Mrs. A. I. Burger's. The program will be spiced with some excellent music and all members and friends should be present.

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Last Sunday being an ideal day there was very large congregations at all the services at the Christian church. Pastor Hallam took for his subject at the morning service "The power of faith to transform a life," his text being Acts 15:8-9, "And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit, even as he did unto us; and put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith. "At the evening service he continued his sermons on "Some objections to christianity." There was one addition to the church at the morning service.

The children of the Sunday school will hold service at the preaching hour next Sunday evening, beginning promptly at 7.30. The service will consist of songs, prayers, scripture reading, and recitations by Jim Lewis White, Annie Gough, Ruth Dunn, Beatrice Golden, Leah Dies, Lura Massie, Clifton Dowell, Miss Maggie Shaw, Julian Harris, and a song by Master Walter McKinney All the friends are cordially invited to be present.

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Prominent Baptists from over the state are attending the Baptist mission and educational rally now in progress at Tyler.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized word. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured; of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects, and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. Sold by City Drug Store.

Miss Laura Wallace returned from a visit to the family of C. B. Moore north of McKinney. She was accompanied home by Miss [illegible], a former student of

Real Estate Transfers.

List of real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, Week ending Feb. 24, 1898:

T S Batson to D F Gerrish, 1a, Calvin Boles sur, $10.

A F Horn to R L Horn 51 1-3a, Obiah Dyer sur, $1900

J L Franklin to C M Christie lot 1, blk. 7, in Allen $115.

C C Gilmer and wife to R L Stevens, 1a, Joseph Klepper sur, $900.

Moore & Rollow et al to J M Gooch 85a, Joseph Nail sur, $3230.

L A Scott to J E Lindsey, lot 2 division 8, town of Melisssa $50.

B F Thompson and wife to J S Helms, lots 3, 4, 13 and 14, Weston blk 2, $500.

W J A Hurst and wife to J S Helms 50a, Robt. Scaggs sur, $1100

J B Watson and wife to W J A Hurst 50a, Robt. Scaggs sur, $1000.50.

Elisha Glass to David S Casper 70a, —— sur, $600.

James W Howard et al to A J Chapman, quit claim deed to 70a, John West sur, $1.

M S and Lucy Click to W M Weaver, lot in Plano $550.

T N Tackett and wife to J J Lockhart, lots 11 and 12, blk 2, town of Allen $700.

Wm Thompson and wife to W M Windom 20a, W B Williams sur, $800.

Dry Goods, boots, Shoes and notions at "The Fair."
Hammond & Sneed, Propr's.

TRINITY TRANSPIRINGS.

Noted for The Information of Our Readers.

Mar. 1, 1898.

The young people met at the school house on Tuesday night to perfect the organization of the literary society.

Miss Leona Orenduff has been ill for the past few days.

Corn planting is under full headway now, but some complain of dry weather hindering its progress.

Singing conducted by Robert Allen has made excellent progress since organizing.

The school was honored recently, by being shot at by Mr. Tom Connor, the artist, of McKinney, with the famous little brass cannon, given the Texans, during the Mexican Revolution.

Some few chills in our midst.

Allen Tranthem is located at Allen for the summer.

Our roads have been very much improved recently, due to the fact that the county convicts have passed over them.

Our community is somewhat excited over the prospective war between the United States and Spain. Some of our young men say they are ready when duty calls; but most of our citizens are conservative in their opinions.
LILY.

Farmers don't make your purchases until you look through our large and varied stock. We have what you want at prices you cannot equal.
Hammond & Sneed,
Proprietors of "The Fair."

Doubles the Pleasure of a Drive.

A fine carriage doubles the pleasure of driving. Intending buyers of carriages or harness can save dollars by sending for the large, free catalogue of the Elkhart Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Attorneys Sheltonand Hughston of Plano, and Johnson and Clifton of Farmersville are attending county court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Franklin entertained Tuesday evening.

50 doses for fifty cents. Is the same size of other $1 bottles and money refunded if Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to give entire satisfaction. Try it; cost nothing if not satisfied.

Mrs. Glen Stiff and daughter, Claude, of Pilot Point, are visiting relatives here.

Does it pay? Yes, because in case Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to cure or give satisfaction the purchase money is refunded. Try a bottle.

G. W. Finger of Fort Worth spent yesterday in McKinney looking after his race for land commissioner.

Mrs. Laura McAulay of California is visiting relatives here.

Orvan H. Brooks, foreman of THE DEMOCRAT mechanical department, is absent from his post of duty on account of sickness.

Work is progressing on the new Episcopal parsonage.

E. H. Keen spent the first collecting in Farmersville.

ONE CENT a dose is all we ask for Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup, and we are pledged to refund the cost price per bottle if it fails to do all that is claimed for it. You get immediate relief.

Miss Fanni Bagley went to Dallas yesterday to visit for a few days with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Sneed, in Oak Cliff.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Birthday Party.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wilcox of Rowlett entertained quite a number of young people at a birthday party given Monday evening, for their daughter Miss Taffie Wilcox. Refreshments were served. Several from McKinney were present to enjoy the occasion. The guests were: Misses Alma Quisenburry, Ola Herndon, Gertie Dowell, Hautie Huey, Jennie Huey, Alice Altond, Katie Lewis, Tillie Adams, Nola Adams, Mrs. Quintilla Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Powell. Messrs. Ed Taylor, Will Graham, Jessie Carter, Will A. Bailey, Lewis Fenwick, Forest Black, Kirk Suddarth, Frank Dowell, Silas Buely, Glen Bash, Sim Allred, Chas. Crowder, Chas. Lewis, Lem Pardue, Hugh Kistler, Hugh Kirkpatrick, Claude Buck, Mack Herndon, Claude Quisenburry, Chas. Smith, Chas. Roberts, Shelby Adams, Guss Crump and Alfred Lewis.

BLADDER TROUBLES.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

SAMPLE SENT FREE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. It is comforting to know that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root fulfills every wish in quickly curing bladder and urinary troubles. It corrects frequent calls, inability to hold urine and scalding or stinging pain in passing it or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing case. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggist fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, upon receipt of three two-cent stamps to cover cost of postage on the bottle. Mention THE DEMOCRAT and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y.

The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

Mrs. George Ann Green, colored, died in this city, Monday.

Mr. Purnell of the Racket—Mississippi Store is in New York selecting a spring stock for his store.

A Humming Bird's Umbrella.

In front of a window where I worked last summer was a butternut tree. A humming bird built her nest on a limb that grew near the window, and we had an opportunity to watch her closely. In fact, we could look right into the nest. One day when there was a heavy shower coming up, we thought we would see if she covered her young during the rain. Well, when the first drops fell, she came and took in her bill one of two or three large leaves growing close by and laid this leaf over the nest so as completely to cover it; then she flew away. On examining the leaf we found a hole in it, and in the side of the nest was a small stick that the leaf was fastened to or hooked upon. After the storm was over the old bird came back and unhooked the leaf, and the nest was perfectly dry.—American Sportsman.

Mental Arithmetic.

Aunt Dorothy—How many commandments are there, Johnny?

Johnny (glibly)—Ten.

Aunt Dorothy—And, now, suppose you were to break one of them?

Johnny (tentatively)—Then there'd be nine.—Spare Moments.

First Written Laws.

The first written statutes are comprised in the law of Moses, 1491 B. C. The first Greek laws were systematized by Draco 623 B. C. The laws of Lycurgus were made about 844 B. C. The Roman laws were first compiled by Servius Tullius and amended by the Twelve Tables in 449 B. C. The Pandects of Justinian were compiled in 533. Blackstone's Commentaries were published at Oxford in 1765 and 1769.

The first anthropological society, for the study of mankind considered with reference to the animal history of the race, was founded in London in 1863.

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ALLEN ANTHEMS.

Methodist Revival Continues—Ingenious Invention.

Feb 28th, '98.

The Methodists will continue their protracted meeting another week.

Matt Snavely visited Culleoka last week.

Messrs Tackett & Allen have bought the stock of merchandise of J. J. Lockhart and moved same to their place of business

Mrs. Bill Hicks is on the sick list.

Willie Green is stayingin Dallas at present being treated for throat trouble.

Mrs. H. J. Jackson was in Dallas last week.

Mrs. Sarah Spradley of McKinney is visiting in Allen.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. "Doddy" Bacus, a fine girl baby.

John T. Teel was in our village last week.

Rev. R. H. Love is visiting some of the northern states where he expects to gain some information by which he can complete his riveting machine. Mr. Love and his friends are evry sanguine as to the success of his most ingenious machine, it already having been acknowledged to be superior to anything yet produced of its kind.

Some of our farmers are done planting corn. Wheat is looking very fine.

John Whisenant is in eastern Texas, with a bunch of horses. He will be gone a month.

Master Adam Young was visiting in Allen Sunday.

Messrs. Ely and Made Spradley of McKinney were here last week.
BIMET.

The First Coaches.

In the fifteenth century coaches appear to have been used in processions or other public ceremonies, more as an ornament than anything else, if we may judge from the clumsy form of the vehicle. The entrance of the Embassador Trevasi into Mantua in a carriage is noticed as early as the year 1438, and that of Frederick III into Frankfort in a covered coach in the year 1475. It is a curious contrast to the rapidity with which new inventions are now adopted that nearly a century elapsed before the covered carriage was introduced into England. Stow, in his Chronicle, in the year 1555 mentions the introduction in these terms: "This year Walter Ripon made a coach for the Earle of Rutland, which was the first coach (saith he) that ever was made in England. Since—to wit, in anno 1564—the said Walter Ripon made the first hollow turning coach, with pillers and arches, for her majestie, being then her servant.

"Also, in anno 1584, a chariot throne, with foure pillers behind to beare a canopie with a crowne imperiall on the toppe, and before two lower pillers, whereon stood a lion and a dragon the supporters of the armes of England."

The sailors of the time of Good Queen Bess must have found it a difficult matter to obtain berths on a coach for their cruise on shore. Even her majesty, though she herself drove to St. Paul's cathedral to return thanks for the delivery of her kingdom from the Spanish armada, was accompanied by the privy council and her attendants, who rode on horseback. But by the end of the reign coaches and carriages became suddenly popular.—Fireside Magazine.

Long Headed.

First Lady—I don't see how you can afford to let your lodgers owe you several weeks' rent.

Second Lady—Well, it's like this. When they're in debt it affects their appetites—they never like to ask for a second helping—so it comes cheapest in the end.—London Tit-Bits.

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LAMPS
Hardest things in the house to clean. Most contrary things to keep clean. Most unpleasant when not cleaned. Are made clean and kept clean easily with that enemy of oil and grease and dirt—
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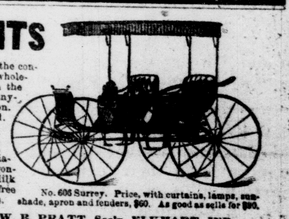

No. 77. Surrey Harness. Price, $16.00. As good as sells for $20.

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has restored thousands of sufferers to health—will cure you. One of the thousands of grateful testimonials we have received in the last 25 years.

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A few months ago I was taken down with a severe case of malaria. I had a severe chill every day for a month. I took Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic and it soon built me up and set my nervous system right and now I am as strong as ever. I recommend Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic to all who are suffering with malaria. I have also used it in my family with the best results. I have a friend who was taken down with malaria. I sent him a bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic for myself. I was weak, run down by overwork. It brought me up and set my nervous system right and now I am as strong as ever. I used another bottle on a weak patient who could hardly walk after an attack of malaria. He gained strength and soon was at work as well as ever. I can conscientiously recommend Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic to be the best I have ever tried, and hope it will be the good fortune of many to get its benefits as I have done.

Yours truly, R. PARKER, Founder.

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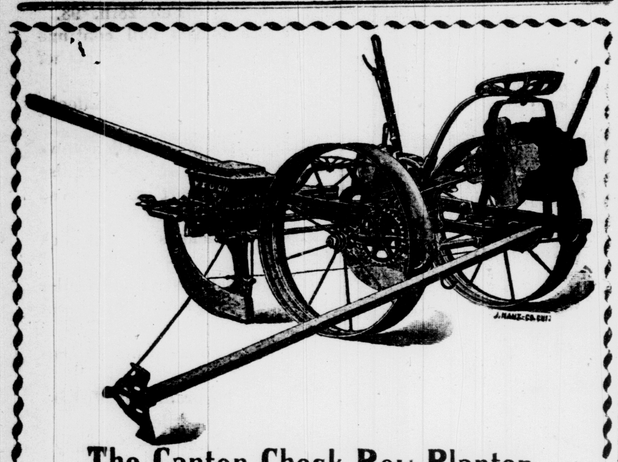


The Canton Check Row Planter.

This machine has been on the market for a number of years and is no stranger to the farmers of Collin county, but we desire to call attention to some of the improvements that have been made during the last season which makes the *Canton* better than ever. We now have the machine so arranged as to plant both corn and cotton, checking or drilling either, as desired by the operator, with unerring precision. We also have an automatic reel which winds up the wire with the team and is a considerable saving of time and labor to the operator, besides reeling the wire up in a better shape than it can possibly be done by hand.

We will take great pleasure in showing this machine to you, no matter whether you wish to buy or not as we consider it a privilege to show our goods to any one, and all are especially invited to call and see us when in the city. We also carry a full and complete line of buggies, wagons, plows, harness hay ties, hay rakes, disc drills, disc harrows, seeders, etc. Parlin & Orendorff Co., McKinney, Texas.

R. E. Carpenter, Sales Agent.

POPULISTS NOTICE.

To expedite the taking of the Referendum vote, territory has been assigned as follows to the several members of the Referendum committee, to whom the chairmen in the respective states will make their report:

Paul Dixon, Chillicothe, Mo.	
Missouri, Iowa, Kansas,	
Nebraska, Utah, Colorado,	
California, Wyoming, Nevada,	
L. D. Reynolds, Chicago, Ill.	
Oregon, Montana,	
Washington, Idaho,	
Nebraska, South Dakota,	
Minnesota, Wisconsin,	
Illinois.	
Harry Tracy, Dallas, Texas	
Arizona,	New Mexico,
Oklahoma,	Arkansas,
Louisiana,	Texas,
Mississippi.	
Chas. McGregor, Atlanta, Ga	
Alabama,	Florida,
Georgia,	Kentucky,
North Carolina,	South Carolina
Tennessee,	Virginia,
West Virginia.	
A. H. Motsinger Shoals, Ind.	
Connecticut,	Delaware,
Indiana,	Maine,
Maryland,	Michigan,
New Jersey,	New York,
Ohio,	Dist. of Columbia,
Massachusetts,	Pennsylvania.
Rhode Island,	Vermont.
New Hampshire.	

PEOPLE'S PARTY REFERENDUM BALLOT.

Date.....

Believing in the principles of the people's party and favoring independent party action and not having voted on the annexed proposition, I vote as follows:

PROPOSITIONS.

1. Do you favor a national convention being held, pending the campaign of 1898, for the purpose of promoting the welfare and declaring the future policy of the party?

Vote.....

Yes; or No.

2. Which of the following dates is your choice for holding a National Convention for the nomination of presidential candidates for the peoples party?

July 4, 1898. May 26, 1899. Feb. 22, 1900.

Vote.....

Write on this line your choice of above dates.

My name is.....

Postoffice.....County.....State.....

Note—This ballot may be used at township, precinct or ward referendum meetings called for that purpose by the county or township chairman, or by five loyal populists. County chairmen should attend these meetings, explain the Referendum, and report the result of the vote to the chairman of the state organization committee of his state, not later than April 20, 1898, who will tabulate the vote by counties and report by May 1, 1898, through the Referendum committeeman who has charge of the territory in which the vote is taken, to the chairman of the National Organization committee, Milton Park, Dallas, Texas. In addition to these meetings, committeemen and workers everywhere are urged to see that each township, precinct and ward is canvassed so that every member of the party will have a chance to vote. Any populist may fill out his ballot and deliver it to any township or county chairman, or mail it to his State Organization chairman.

While King George of Greece and his daughter were returning home recently in their carriage, they were fired upon by two men who were hidden in a ditch along side the road. The king gallantly stood between his daughter and danger. Though the bullets missed both of them, the footman was wounded in the arm.

February Rainfall.

The rainfall for last month as kept by C. B. Moore at advalorem, 6 miles north of McKinney was as follows:

Feb. 9.....1 1-2 inch.

Much in Little

The Sugar Coat of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small compass. They are a whole medicine chest.

Hood's Pills

IMPORTANT CATTLE POINT.

McKinney Coming To The Front For Feeders—Also Attracting Western Yearling Buyers.

This place is becoming quite noted among cattlemen of the state as a feeding point and a resource for yearling grazers for the west. During the present season upwards of 4,000 feeders have been prepared for the Chicago market at McKinney and mostly shipped out. And 1,000 feeders are still in the spacious stock yards surrounding the cotton seed oil mill; its products, which are largely used for feed, abundant water supply and a high dry location convenient for shipping purposes are the chief essentials recommending the place to the favorable consideration of cattlemen everywhere. During last year Tuck Hill and son, Doc, buyers of McKinney, sold 4000 yearling to west Texas ranchmen and thus far this year 2100, besides what other local buyers rounded up and disposed of. The western ranchmen prefer black land yearlings on account of their large bone, which veterinary surgeons pronounce due to the alkaline constituency of the soil, and when afterwards shipped back here for preparation for the market make the best feeders. Big bone, big weight and perfect condition being realized to the highest degree. Between the 5th and 8th of March Messrs. Hill will ship 140 Durham bulls and 6 Durham heifers to Fort Worth for the state association exhibit and Capt Ed Stiff will ship 60 fine bulls of the same breed for this annual collection and exhibit.

VERONA VOICE.

After An Absence of Several Weeks Is Heard Again Through The Democrat.

Feb. 26, '98.

After an absence of several weeks we are again at the post of duty.

Mrs. Lizzie St. Clair is confined to her bed with acute rheumatism.

Mrs. Fannie Stewart is now convalescent after a month of serious illness.

Corn planting is on hand and most farmers are busy.

My! what a scarcity of news. No weddings, no births, no sparking outfits to report and no one to censure. We are at sea.

A. C. Stroup is building a house for Mr. Isaac Moreland, at Altoga.

Miss Ellie St. Clair is at home ministering to her sick mother.

Miss Sallie Stroup is spending the week with friends at Altoga.

The box supper given by the Lincoln Choral Society at the Methodist church last Tuesday night was a decided success. The proceeds will be used in procuring song books for the Sunday school. Verona is proud of her wide-awake and up-to-date young people. Our Choral Society is second to none in the county.

Misses Emma and Alice Hays accompanied by Messrs. Johnson and Fagan of Climax were at our supper.

Drs. Hunter of Altoga, Hays of Climax, were also in attendance to our supper, the latter transacting "business" at the old stand.

We have just visited the Johnson school and found Prof. Dabbs and Miss Hollander very busy with a full school. The patrons are well pleased with these worthy teachers.

Our own teacher, Prof Bickley is the right man in the right place and some idea may be formed as to his efficiency when it is learned that this is his fifth or sixth term here.

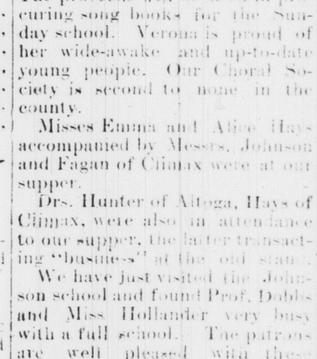
The Free-Will Baptists held their quarterly conference here yesterday. The official and lay members were out in full force and a profitable meeting was had.

T. L. Bailey and the writer leave today for Fannin county to spend a couple of days.

The political caldron is beginning to simmer and ere long a brisk "bile" will be seen. To candidates: our latch-string hangs on the outside; pull, we will do the rest. D. W. LEIGH.

GETTING READY

Every expectant mother has a trying ordeal to face. If she does not



get ready for it, there is no telling what may happen. Child-birth is full of uncertainties if Nature is not given proper assistance.

Mother's Friend

is the best help you can use at this time. It is a liniment, and when regularly applied several months before baby comes, it makes the advent easy and nearly painless. It relieves and prevents "morning sickness," relaxes the overstrained muscles, relieves the distended feeling, shortens labor, makes recovery rapid and certain without any dangerous after-effects.

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Political Tricks.

It is reported on good authority that Geo. Walton, who was recently installed in an important position in the agricultural department at Austin in the place of a good democrat, was once lieutenant governor under the famous republican governor, Warmouth, of Louisiana. Whether this be so or not, he has never been a democrat in Texas and his appointment to the place only shows that there needs to be a little overhauling done down at Austin by the democrats of Texas. Mr. Johnson is reaching out after the populist-mugwump vote of his section for Sayers for governor and a local candidate for congress. The democracy of Texas should teach him a wholesome lesson.—Van Alstyne News.

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ELECTION IN ONTARIO,

It Is the Hottest Campaign Known For Twenty-Five Years.

Ottawa, March 2.—Probably the hottest election contest which has been waged in the province of Ontario for the past quarter of a century has just been closed.

So intense has been the interest taken in the provincial general elections, and so desperate the struggle by the contending parties that the Dominion parliament was forced to adjourn last week, all the Federal members desiring to participate in the election battle. Members from all the provinces took the stump in Ontario for their respective parties.

Both the contending parties claim a victory, but the independent newspapers say the outcome cannot be safely predicted

For the first time in its history Ontario will vote today on the manhood suffrage qualification. An enormous vote will be polled, and this is an element of uncertainty in making a forecast.

In the legislature the parties stood, 52 Liberal, 25 Conservatives and 17 Patrons. The latter faction is practically extinct and the fight is fairly between Liberals and Conservatives.

It is said the death of the Patron movement and the vast number of new voters under manhood suffrage will produce many surprises.

NEWSPAPERMEN INDICTED,

The Charge Is Using the Mails to Further a Swindling Scheme.

Los Angeles, March 2.—The Federal grand jury has indicted the proprietors of The Farm and Fireside for alleged use of the mails to further a swindling scheme. The paper advertised a land colony scheme in Big Rock district, north of this city, and it is alleged that the land is not as represented, and the titles to it are poor and defective. H. S. Sweet, one of the owners of the Chicago paper was the Los Angeles end of the deal. Oliver Miller of Myrtle made the complaint. A former grand jury also indicted the same men, but they escaped trial on a technicality.

Peter Horn Hanged.

Columbus Miss., March 2.—Peter Horn, colored, was hanged here in the presence of 5000 people, mostly negroes, for the murder of Anthony Brown. Instead of evincing an interest in the religious services which were held for his benefit, Horn spent his last hours laughing and joking with his fellow prisoners.

Suppressed the News.

Constantinople, March 2.—The press censor suppressed the news of the attempt made Saturday last to assassinate King George of Greece. Newspapers were prohibited from even mentioning the thanksgiving service in commemoration of his majesty's escape from death, celebrated at the Greek legation.

An Unknown Shooter.

Valley Mills, Tex., March 2.—Some one rode up within 50 yards of where Ben Johnson was plowing on L. A. Davis' farm and commenced to shoot at Johnson, causing the team to run away. Johnson followed the mules in the close pursuit, but not with the idea of stopping them, only to get out of the range of the bullets. The shooting was witnessed by several other farmers in adjoining fields, it being on a high prairie. None of the shots took effect. The man doing the shooting rode off after emptying his gun. The shooting took place five miles east of here in McLennan county.

Broke His Neck.

Sherman, Tex., March 2.—Timothy Childs, colored, aged 15 years, met instant death here. A half domesticated wolf escaped from Dupont Long's kennels on Houston street and the unfortunate boy was among those who mounted and went in pursuit. When seeing the wolf turned across the road the boy suddenly checked his pony to head the animal. The suddenness of the stop was such as to violently unseat him. In falling his entire weight came down upon his neck, which was broken. He was dead before any assistance could be rendered him.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

According to the Mexico (Mo.) Ledger there is a new woman's club in that town, whose president was chosen because of her ability to stand on her head.

At Brookhaven, Miss., a young negro named Early Davis was lodged in jail charged with attempting a criminal assault on a white girl of 15.

William Shaffer of Augusta, O. T., was arrested and bound over to the United States grand jury on a charge of sending an obscene letter through the mails.

A 42-inch vein of coal has been discovered at Fayette, Mo.

Charley Hazlett, aged 18, wanted for horse-stealing Kinsley, Kan., was captured near Wisly.

Wiggins Bros., lumber men, are erecting a large flour plant at Hartselle, Ala., Its capacity will be 2500 barrels.

Nelson & Sharpley, contractors have commenced the erection of a large brick manufactory at Decatur, Ala., with a capacity of 25,000 per day.

Indications are favorable for a heavy peach crop in Missouri.

Mexico, Mo., Presbyterians will build a $12,000 church.

The Bank of Beloit and the First National bank of that city, two of the oldest and firmest institutions of northwest Kansas have been consolidated.

Rushville, Ind., will exempt from taxation for five years all factories located there.

Not Guilty of Lynching.

Cross Plains, Ind., March 2.—In the trial of Hezekiah Hughes, for alleged complicity in the southern Indiana lynching, Squire Craig decided he was not guilty.

Child Burned to Death.

Davilla, Tex., March 2.—A little child of Mr. W. H. Fowler, while playing near where its mother was washing, caught fire and was so badly burned that it died.

Mr. C. H. Weaver of Plano, Texas, left Thursday for his home after spending several days visiting his daughter, Mrs. Thos. C. Hooser, and looking over this part of the country. Mr. Weaver is an old citizen of Fort Bend county and intends to return and purchase as soon as he can dispose of his large property in Collin county.—Angleton Times.

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THE GULF BOYCOTT.

Various Railroads Will Not Receive Freight Unless Prepaid.

Kansas City, March 2.—The freight boycott of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf railroad by roads in the Southwestern and Western traffic bureaus practically went into effect on Tuesday. The boycott notice of the Santa Fe, the Rock Island, the Texas and Pacific and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas roads is already effective and that of the other roads will go into effect on the 7th inst. The boycotting roads have decided not to refuse to deliever or to accept freight from the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf road, as at first planned Instead, to avoid a violation of the interstate commerce law, prepayment of freight on all shipments received by the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf will be demanded and full local tariffs exacted. As the sum total of the local tariffs is higher than the through rates, the boycotted road will be forced to make an extremely low rate to compete with its enemies.

Judge J. McD. Trimble, chief counsel of the Pittsburg and Guif road, said today:

"We will prepay freight charges on through shipments for all roads that may demand them, and we will bring suit in the courts for damages and to recover the excess of the local rate over the amount to which the boycotting line is actually entitled. Injunction suits may be brought later."

PAID AN OLD DEBT.

Texas and Pacific Settles With Texas For an Old Loan.

Austin, March 2.—The Texas and Pacific road has paid the state treasury $130,356.75, the balance of the amount borrowed by that railway from the state school fund in 1862. At that time the Texas and Pacific was the Southern Pacific. The original sum loaned the company was $150,000. During several years, that is up to 1870, on account of the war and reconstruction, the interest was not paid, and the amount of interest so unpaid was brought forward as principal Since 1870 the company has paid on this loan about $270,000 interest and $220,000 principal On the $150,000 investment the school fund has received $500,000. The large amount of principal paid in closing the loan was not due, and it is understood the reason for the advance payment was to reduce the higher interest rate.

Postoffice Robbed.

Paris, Tex., March 2.—The postoffice at Sylvan, about six miles southeast of Paris, was broken open and robbed of $200 in cash. The thieves first opened a blacksmith shop, and with the stolen tools pried the back door of the postoffice off its hinges. The safe, in which the money was kept, was unlocked and the cash box taken out and broken open with a hammer. About $75 of the money belonged to the postmaster, O. J. Geers, and the balance was the property of the government.

A Freak of Nature.

Ennis, Tex., March 2.—R. H. Sossum, who lives seven miles west of Waxahachie, was cursed with a freak of nature, which is exceedingly rare, if indeed such was ever seen before. It was two fully developed kittens with one head. The bodies were complete in every way, with the requisite number of feet and tails for two cats. The bodies were separate to the neck. There they merged into one, and the head was perfect in its parts.

Merchant Shot Down.

Spartanburg, S. C., March 2.—T. J. Trimmers, a well known merchant of this place and a respected citizen, was shot and killed by Dr. J. J. Jennings, a prominent dentist here. Jennings entered the deceased's store with a pistol in each hand and without warning shot Trimmier three times. One ball entered the heart and caused instant death. The cause of the shooting is a mystery as the men had been close friends.

Bill Defining Contempt.

Washington, March 2.—Senator Jones of Arkansas has introduced a bill defining contempts of United States courts. It provides a fine of $300 or six months' imprisonment, or both, for any other charge in cases of indirect contempt, which are defined as acts of contempt committed not in the presence of the court.

The Lawless to be Expelled.

Hillsboro, Tex., March 2.—The Hillsboro negroes will meet tomorrow night to discuss the anti-lodge and to form an organization to expel the lawless negroes from among them. The organization is to be particularly aimed at the crap shooting and gambling element of the negroes.

NOTHING IS KNOWN

Washington Officials Ignorant Yet as to What Caused the Maine Wreck.

Washington, March 2.—Two weeks ago the battleship Maine was destroyed in Havana harbor, and in spite of the greatest diligence on the part of the officers charged with the inquiry into the cause of the disaster it is still shrouded in mystery so far as any officials in Washington know. Few officials are acquainted with the formidable obstacles in the way of preparations of the divers, and are surprised at the state of affairs, and it is beginning to be generally realized that upon the testimony of the divers almost altogether will depend the success of the inquiry. Meanwhile, the officials of the navy department have reached the conclusion that harm is being done by the broaching of theories to act for the explosion, so notice has been served upon experts who have been heard from in the press that it is preferred they shall no longer discuss this matter in advance of the report of the court of inquiry.

An indication of the court of inquiry is either far from reaching any conclusion or else is disposed with a view to meeting future criticism, to collect all evidence whether it be essential or not, is to call the assistance of experts. It has already been a matter of comment that with the court has called upon the department to send to their aid a constructor and carpenter, and in compliance with the request Secretary Long has directed Naval Constructor Hoover and Carpenter Helm to report to the court at Key West. It is expected that they will go to Havana when the court returns there, and, from their familiarity with the structure of the Maine, they will be of great assistance not only in suggesting easy methods of work for the divers at Havana, but also in identifying portions of the wreck.

Mounting More Guns.

New York, March 2.—The work of mounting the two new 8-inch disappearing guns at Willet's Point, L. I., which was begun a week ago is progressing rapidly. Only a short time ago three new guns were received at Willet's Point. They were mounted at Watervliet arsenal, Troy, N. Y., and were sent down the Hudson river on a barge. The guns are of the latest pattern and are the largest ever mounted at the point. They are 40 feet long and weigh 120 tons each. The carriages weigh 80 tons each. The guns are to be mounted on the sea face of the fort, and will command the entrance to Long Island sound.

Cancer Of the Face.

Mrs. Laura E. Mims, of Smithville, Ga., says: "A small pimple of a strawberry color appeared on my cheek; it soon began to grow rapidly, notwithstanding all efforts to check it. My eye became terribly inflamed, and was so swollen that for quite a while I could not see. The doctors said I had Cancer of the most malignant type, and after exhausting their efforts without doing me any good, they gave up the case as hopeless. When informed that my father had died from the same disease, they said I must die, as hereditary Cancer was incurable.

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